

Abstract of the Invention

Methods and compositions for treatment, diagnosis,
and prevention of a virus comprise administering to a
patient antibodies which react with regions of viral
5 proteins and result in neutralization of infectivity
and inactivation of functionally essential events in
the life cycle of the virus. The antibodies recognize
viral epitopes which fail to elicit an immune response
in man when encountered through infection or naturally
10 through the environment. In a preferred embodiment,
the invention provides compositions and methods useful
in the treatment and diagnosis of human
immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infections.